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1. (SBU) Poloff met with Czech MFA Director of the UN Department Jan Kara on September 1 to discuss Guatemala's candidacy for a non-permanent seat on the UNSC. Kara confirmed the Czech Republic strongly supports Guatemala. Kara met with Guatemalan officials at UNGA in New York the week of September 18 to reiterate Czech support. Poloff met September 25 with Deputy Director of the UN Department Josef Vitek to continue the discussion. Vitek said the Czechs are willing to contact unspecified allies in Europe and other regions to urge them to support Guatemala.  
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